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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of August 29, 2003, a response being due by December 1, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendment C: CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Please cancel previous Claims 11 - 14 and substitute Claim 15 therefor as follows:

Claims 11 - 14 (canceled).

15. (new) A covering apparatus for a can comprising:

a can cover having an upper surface, said can cover having wrinkles formed therein so as to extend thereacross and in generally parallel relationship to each other so as to prevent upward swelling of said can cover by an expansion of contents from the can, said can cover having an outer rim extending upwardly from said upper surface, said wrinkles being connected together in a radius direction across said upper surface ; and